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## HAMILTON FIVE LOSES THREE GAMES ON ROAD

**Team Ends Disastrous Trip, Losing to Hobart, Rochester and Buffalo**

**NEARLY DEFEATS ROCHESTER**

**Team Barely Beaten by Yellow, 30-26**

Losing to Hobart on Thursday by the overwhelming score of 57-19, to Rochester on Friday by the close count of 30-26, and to the University of Buffalo on Saturday 42-24, the basketball team completed its longest trip of the season in a disastrous fashion. In the Rochester match alone the Buff and Blue players showed samples of their best form.

Strengthened greatly by the addition to the lineup of several men who were ineligible last semester, the Hobart quintet, contrary to all expectations, ran wild, scoring easily thru the Hamilton defense.

In the opening period the Buff and Blue men put up a strong fight, holding the Geneva squad to 19 points while they registered 13. In the second period, howeved, Garrat and Trapnell began tossing the ball in from all corners of the floor, running up a big lead early in the period.

At Rochester, on Friday night, the team made the best showing of the entire trip, outplaying the home team throughout the entire match, and losing only because of the uncanny shooting ability of Cohen, Rochester guard.

Rochester jumped off to an early lead, but was soon headed. The game continued neck and neck, neither team having any decided advantage. Toward the close of the opening period the Yellow team showed a sudden burst of speed that sent them into a small lead at the end of the half.

Hamilton came back strong in the opening of the second frame, to gain a slight lead which it held through most of the period. With but eight minutes to go, a sudden rally on the part of the home crew knotted the count. For nearly six minutes the score remained tied. Then Cohen sunk a long one from near the center of the court, sending Rochester into the lead. The Hill quintet cut loose, but was unable to score.

Hamilton's five-man defense successfully broke up the Rochester pass work under the basket. The home team found it practically impossible to work the ball past the outer line of defense, and would probably have been defeated except for the wonderful shooting of Cohen, who featured the game by sinking five shots from near the center of the floor.

Normile featured for Hamilton in the Friday night match with a total of five field goals and fouls to his credit.

At Buffalo the Hill team met the strongest opponent that it has met all season. Atfer Hamilton had scored the opening basket the Bison team got under way and ran up a safe lead which it held till the end of the game.

The Blue team had evidently been

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### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday**

Washington's Birthday. Holiday.

**Wednesday**

Basketball game with Alfred at 8:30.

**Thursday**

Choir rehearsal at 7:45.

**Friday**

Basketball game with Colgate at Colgate.

Presentation of Charlatan play, "Tthe Yellow Jacket," at Wells College.

**Saturday**

Hockey game with Cornell, 8:15.

Fencing meet with Columbia, 8.

Freshman basketball with Little Falls High School.

**Sunday**

Chapel preacher, Rev. Tweedy, D.D., of Yale University.

## HARD SCHEDULE FOR DEBATERS ANNOUNCED

**Triangular Debate with Union and Lafayette at Schenectady Mar. 11**

Five intercollegiate debates, three of which are to be held in the College Chapel, comprise the schedule announced last week by George Tyler, manager of debate. The colleges to be met in forensic competition are Columbia, Lafayette, Union, Wells, and Williams.

The first debate, with Union at Schenectady on Mar. 11, is a part of the annual triangular debate with Union and Lafayette. The Hamilton team consisting of Anderson, Brink, Tolles and Corby, alternate, will debate the negative side of the question "Resolved, that this house favors immediate and unconditional independence for the Philippine Islands." The following evening in the Chapel, another Hamilton team consisting of H. Brown, Mosher, and Pitcher, will advance the affirmative of the proposition against Lafayette.

On March 18, Hamilton, taking the negative side of the proposition, "Resolved, that this house regrets the entry of women into politics and public life," will meet Williams here. In a try-out last week, four men, Ballard, Clark, Hayes and Gage, were placed on the team, the position of alternate to be determined by a later try-out.

Of considerable interest should be the debate with the girls of Wells College at Aurora on Mar. 18 on the question: "Resolved, that this house regrets the part which women play in politics and public life." Three Hamilton debaters, Mineka, Roberts, and Tyler, will uphold the affirmative. This is the first year that Wells has been on the Hamilton schedule.

The last debate of the year will occur on Apr. 8 when Hamilton meets Columbia to discuss the question, "Resolved, that the Volstead Act should be amended to permit the use of light wines and beers." Bald, Bookhout, and Sample will advance the affirmative side of the argument.

## *Pi Delta Epsilon Recognizes Chaperon As College Publication*

**Magazine to Take Over Old Name of "Royal Gaboon," Stipulated by Pi Delt—Chaperon Has Made Big Success Since Its Founding Last Year—Next Issue to Appear at Cornell Game.**

Hamilton College once more has a humorous magazine among its regular student publications. At the last meeting of Pi Delta Epsilon, held at the Alpha Delt Hall last Friday evening, the "Chaperon" was formally recognized as a Hamilton institution. Since the failure of the old "Royal Gaboon" in the winter of 1925, there has been no regular student humorous publication put out by the undergradvates as a whole, the "Chaperon" having been the work of a small board of men who undertook its publication independently and privately.

The policy which the "Chaperon" maintains will, from now on, be to a certain extent under the supervision of Pi Delta Epsilon. The board will be considerably enlarged, and membership on it will count towards election to Pi Delt. The chairman and business manager of the "Chaperon" will normally receive this election, whether or not they are members of other publication boards. Members of the "Chaperon" board will also be entitled to wear specially designed charms. There will be six regular issues yearly, one at each of the three house party seasons, and also for the Union game, Christmas and Commencement.

According to the present plans, an ffort will be made to change the name of the magazine back to that of the "Royal Gaboon," which has a more distinctively Hamilton flavor. This step will be taken if it is found possble to continue the present advertising contracts with the name of the ublication changed. It is thought that most of the advertisers will have no serious objections to this arrangement.

The next issue of the "Chaperon" will appear under that name next Saturday at the Cornell game. It will be primarily a "Hockey Issue." Several appropriate cuts and drawings have been secured. The cover design for this number, which has been drawn by Yuan, '28, will be unusually attractive. Yuan has also contributed several other drawings for the magazine. The other contributions include many squibs and humorous articles. It is thought that all in all the issue will be the best published by the "Chaperon" to date.

The history of the "Chaperon" goes back to last Spring when its first issue appeared at house party time. Early in the preceding winter the "Royal Gaboon" had come to an inglorious end in the midst of insurmountable financial difficulties. Considerable material had been gathered for the next issue, but it seemed improbable that this would ever be published. Three enterprising undergraduates, Ingalls, '28, Huggins, '29, and Woodhull, '29, decided to take the risk of publishing this material independently with the hope that a humorous publication at Hamilton could thus be maintained. It was impossible to secure the immediate sanction of Pi Delta Epsilon for this venture, as the recent failure of the "Royal Gaboon" had been a discouraging lesson, and it was believed impossible to support such an ambitious undertaking at Hamilton.

With the opening of college in the Fall plans were made for continuing the publication of the "Chaperon." The first issue, which appeared at the Union game, was financially a tremendous success, but was considerably criticized for its rather salacious content. Another issue was brought out at the Middlebury game in December. This was extremely well received by the college, and an effort will be made in the future to show that Hamilton can really publish a creditable and successful humorous magazine.

The chairman of the board, F. C. Ingalls, '28, announces that it will be possible to continue a good grade of work only if a large number of contributions are received for each issue. The amount of material printed from contributors will count in determining elections to the board in the future. The same financial problems are still to be met, but at present a large amount of advertising has been obtained and accordingly the major expenses can be safely cared for. It is important, however, that the undergraduate circulation should be as large as possible in order to insure the continued success of the magazine.

At a recent meeting of the "Chaperon" board the following men were elected to membership: F. R. Clausen, L. H. Crocker, A. W. K. Dold, A. E. Fradenburgh, and C. P. Goodwin.

### KUCK NEW ASSISTANT BUS. MANAGER OF LIFE

Julius A. Kuck, '28, of Waterport was elected assistant business manager of Life at a meeting of the staff last Saturday morning. The election was held to fill the vacancy made by William Quinn, '28, who left college.

The nomination of Kuck was made by Gilbert E. Ferris, '27, the present business manager, upon the recommendation of Verne I. Montgomery, '26, who was business manager last year. Quinn was the winner of last year's managerial competition while Kuck was second, according to the recommendation from Montgomery.

Kuck, who is among the highest standing men in his class, is a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

## CHARLATANS TO SHOW AT WELLS COLLEGE

**Dramatic Club to Give Chinese Play There Next Friday**

At Wells College Friday evening the Charlatans will present a Chinese comedy, "The Yellow Jacket." The play will be given in characteristic Chinese style. There will be stage scenery and the property man will be seated immediately upon the stage during the performance, ready to assist the actors in fulfilling their roles.

The cast is unusually large in number, comprising almost 30 men. They will travel to Aurora by bus in the afternoon and present the play there in the evening. The students at Wells are giving a short dance following the play while scenery and costumes are being packed into the bus. The cast will return the same evening as inadequate finances prohibit remaining over night with such a large number.

The cast will be as follows:

Property man, Goodwin, '27; Chorus, Estelow, '28; Woo Sin Yin, Olmsted, '27; Tso, Ulmer, '29; Chee Moo, Heyl, '28; Tai Tah Min, Pitcher, '28; Suey Sin Fah, Pratt, '30; Lee Sin, Sanborne, '27; Ling Wan, Corby, '28; Wu Tah Din, Cutter, '29; Yin Suey Gong, Mulligan, '27; u Hoo Git, Jarrett, '30; See Quoe Tah, Hirsheimer, '27; Mow Dan Fah, Graves, '28; Yong Soo Kow, Perry, '30; Crow Wan, Baker, '30; Moy Tah Loy, Mangan, '30; See Noi, Campbell, '29; Tai Char Shoong, Corby, '30; Widow Ching, Clark, '28; Git Hok Gar. Thomas, '30; Kom Loi, Mulligan, '27; Loy Gong, Ellison, '29; Maun Gung, Wadsworth, '29.

Another performance of "The Yellow Jacket" will be given in the spring in Utica. If plans under consideration at present materialize in the expected manner, there will also be a northern trip, probably in April.

**The History Club will meet at the Psi Upsilon House Thursday, Feb. 24, at 8 p. m .Wallace B. Johnson, Hamilton, '15, will speak on his recent travels abroad.**

## HAMILTON SIX EASILY BEATS UNION SKATERS

**Hockey Team Scores Well-earned Victory Over Ancient Rival, by Score of 5-2**

**BEARDSLEY AND BROWNE STAR**

**Hamilton Holds Edge Throughout Well-played Game**

In a game made rather rough thru hard playing on both sides, the Buff and Blue once more proved its superiority over Union on the ice, winning easily by a 5-2 score here Saturday evening. Union, although usually an easy victim for Hamilton, this year provided strong opposition, probably due in large measure to the fact that this year's team is the first Garnet sextet to have a coach. With a victory over Amherst to its credit, it was an especially formidable opponent.

In the first few minutes of play Beardsley scored against Union, creating the impression that the Garnet would be easily vanquished. The mistake was soon shown, however, when Union carried the puck through the local defense time and again without much difficulty, the miraculous work of Scovel, Hamilton goalie, only preventing them from scoring. Five minutes before the end of the period Union's offense men carried the puck through the local defense, drew the goal keeper out of his cage, and shoved the puck in, making the score 1-1.

With the score tied the second period witnessed hard attempts by both sides to register shots. The Garnet showed themselves to possess an excellent passing attack which caused the Buff and Blue plenty of trouble. The Hamilton pucksters had a decided edge, but the Union goalie had either an uncanny amount o skill which prevented the local sextet from scoring. For the first time this season Bald played in the manner which last year gave him his fame, and time and again he penetrated the opponents' defense, only to have the goal keeper shove aside the puck. Towards the end of the period Browne broke the tie on a beautiful shot.

Not until the last third did Hamilton uncork its scoring attack. In the first minutes of play MacLean carried the puck the entire length of the rink for the start of the Hamilon barrage. Later, in a mixup in front of the cage, Union scored once more. The Garnet never had another chance to score. Beardsley, showing a real display of hockey technique, took the puck up the ice for another tally. Several minutes before the end of the game Browne registered again, making the final count 5-2.

The lineup and summary:

| Hamilton 5 | | Union 2 |
|---|---|---|
| | center | |
| Bald | | Hyland |
| | left wing | |
| A. Browne | | Clifford |
| | right wing | |
| T. Ingalls | | Gilmore |
| | left defense | |

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### LAMBDA CHIS GIVE INITIATION DANCE

Dancing at the Lambda Chi Alpha house Monday night to commemorate the founding of the local chapter of the fraternity and Washingon's Birthday, gave many men on the Hill an enjoyable evening. The dance, which lasted from 9 until 1, was open to upperclassmen and was well attended.

A list of guests follows: Chaperones Mrs. A. W. Dold, Mr. and Mrs. Schafer, and Mrs. Nelson C. Dale. Orchestra: the Big Five of Utica. Guests: the Misses Helen Rooney, Oswego, Marion Kowalska, Ethelyn Dyer, Anne McGillis, Dorothy Kelly, Ursula Marriott, Utica; Adelaide Timian, Clinton; Elizabeth Ambler, Mount Holyoke; Ruth Stone, Albany; Ruth Quillman, Anne Edwards, Alberta Morgan, Utica; Gladys Tompkins, Syracuse.

Dr. Pliny B. Fiske, '10, of Byron, 40, died on pneumonia recently at the Batavia Hospital. Dr. Fiske, a graduate of Hamilton College, was coroner of Genesee County. He served as lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the Navy during the World War. Dr. Fiske's death came as a distinct shock to his many friends.

### LECTURER ON PERSIA COMING HERE MAR. 7

Conditions in Persia and educational opportunities there will be the subject of a lecture to be given here on March 7 by C. B. Fisher, Hamadan, Persia. Mr. Fisher is only temporarily in the United States and it is directly through the influence of Cady H. Allen, '07, that arrangements have been made to bring him to the Hill. Mr. Fisher is director of educational work in Hamadan and is thus well acquainted with the present situation of the country. He will also discuss the work that is being done by Mr. Allen, who is also in educational work in Persia.

The conditions of education there should be of real interest, as Persia, a nation with a great past and great possibilities for the future, is at present notably deficient in providing education for its youth.

—T. Bartle Gorman, '20, John H. Patton, '15, and Frank H. Wood, Jr., '24, were on the Hill during the past week-end.

—Arthur D. Scovel, '96, of New York spent the weekend on the Hill.

—James A. Chrestensen, '99, of Franklinville, was on the Hill for the Union game.

### CHANGE IS ANNOUNCED IN MYERS LECTURERS

On Thursday evening, Mar. 3, Dan McGowan will speak on the Hill on the subject, "Nature's Mysteries." Mr. McGowan is the second Myers Lecturer of the year 1926-27 and replaces Chief Long Lance, who was scheduled to speak here but is unable to keep his engagement. Mr. McGowan is a contributor to "Forest and Stream," "The Mentor," and the "Nature Magazine." His lecture will be illustrated.

The last Myers Lecture of the year will be on Wednesday evening, Mar. 9, when Prof. Camillo von Klenze will speak here.

### MUSICAL CLUB MAY BE ORGANIZED HERE SOON

At a recent Sunday evening musicale, a committee was appointed to form and organize a musical club at Hamilton. The committee, which consists of Mr. Shute, Dr. A. P. Saunders, Professor Fancher, Whitbeck, Wylie, Brockway, Heyl, has held two meetings so far and has discussed plans which will be presented at the next musicale.

The purpose of the organization will be the promotion of concerts, the talent for which will be secured from the undergraduate body. It is also probable that the organization will give receptions for artists appearing in the neighborhood.

## *Buff and Blue Fencers Triumph In Triangular Meet At Syracuse*

The Buff and Blue fencers triumphed in a triangular meet with the University of Pennsylvania and Syracuse at Syracuse last Saturday afternoon. The Hamilon total score was 21 as compared to 19 for Penn and 11 for Syracuse. The Hill swordsmen defeated both teams, Penn by 9-8 and Syracuse 12-5. The match with Penn was closely contested and was only decided by a victory for Dold over Bookler, the captain of the Red and Blue aggregation, in the final sabre bout. Every one of the Hamilton fencers worked well, the whole team showing a decided improvement over past performances. The work of Dayton, Redmond and King was particularly good, Dayton winning five out of six foils bouts, Redmond winning all three of his sabre bouts, and King triumphing in three of four epee bouts.

Hamilton had little difficulty with the Syracuse foilsmen, conquering them easily by a 7-2 score. The foils bouts with Penn were very closely contested, however, and by winning the final bout, Bookler gave Penn a 5-4 win over the Buff and Blue foilsmen.

The Hill epee team defeated Syracuse 3-1 and broke even with the Red and Blue, Britten and King each taking one bout and dropping one.

The Orange sabre team managed to get an even break with the Hamilton sabremen, 2-2. The team score at the beginning of the sabres with Penn was 7-6 in favor of Penn. Dold lost the first bout to Gaudin, making the score 8-6. Redmond won two bouts, defeating Gaudin and Van Meter and tying the score at 8-8. The final bout between Dold and Bookler, substituting for Van Meter, went to four touches for each man. Dold, by getting the final touch, gave Hamilton a win over Penn.

This was the third intercollegiate meet of the year for the Hill swordsmen, who showed that they have been steadily improving and should give a good account of themselves in future meets.

Summary: Foils—

Britten, H, defeated Plank S 5-2.
Dayton H defeated Wexler S 5-3.
Solomon S defeated Bookhout H 5-1
Britten H defeated Wexler S 5-2.
Dayton H defeated Solomon S 5-1.
Plank S defeated Bookhout H 5-1.
Britten H defeated Soloman S 5-3.
Dayton H defeated Plank S 5-0.
Bookhout H defeated Wexler S 5-4.
Hamilton 7, Syracuse 2.

Hodes, P defeated Britten H 5-3.
Dayton H defeated Beachboard P

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## *Choir Receives High Praise From Kahn And Other New York Critics*

Otto H. Kahn, president of the Metropolitan Opera Company, and considered by many to be the foremost patron of music in the United States, after listening to the College Choir in its vesper recital a week ago Sunday, placed the stamp of his approval on that organization and its director, Professor Fancher, in no mincing terms. It was through the efforts of Alexander Woollcott, who is an enthusiastic backer of the choir, that Mr. Kahn and several other people of note in the party of visitors to the Hill, were able to attend the Sunday afternoon recital. Mr. Woollcott's other guests were Frank Crowninshield, editor of Vanity Fair; Edward Biegler, business manager of the Metropolitan company; and Rudolph Kummer, United States representative of Max Reinhart, famous European producer and dramatist. The recital was attended by a large number of undergraduates and faculty, none of whom were aware of the presence of their distinguished visitors in the balcony above them until after the recital.

The unstinted praise of Mr. Kahn for the choir will greatly augment the reputation which the choir has established for its abilities throughout this state and in southern New England.

"The three most difficult things to teach in choral singing," Mr. Kahn said after the concert, "are reverence, restraint, and delicacy. The Hamilton College Choir possesses all three of these qualities. My only regret is that New York City cannot hear the choir more often." Mr. Woollcott's party left, as they had come, by special car for New York directly after the recital.

The first public recital of the choir this year will be on Monday night, Feb. 28, at the First Presbyterian Church in Syracuse. The pastor of the church is the Rev. Albert C. Fulton, a preacher here at the College every year, and the father of Albert R. Fulton, '26. The members of the choir will leave for Syracuse Monday afternoon by special trolley direct from Clinton, and will return to the Hill that night. They will be served with a supper at the parish house of the First Church at Syracuse by the ladies of the church.

Those competent to judge have said that the choir is exceeding former years in the quality of its performance this year, all of which points toward a successful opening of a busy concert season for the choir next week.

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## WE FACE THE SITUATION

A communication in this edition of Life charges that the editors of Life show an "amazing lack of courage," an "utter lack of good taste," and a "policy of complete indifference" toward a vital undergraduate situation, namely the neutral question. Only a natural hesitancy at discussing such a personal matter has heretofore prevented an attempt on our part to treat what is probably the outstanding undergraduate problem on this, or any other, campus. In the light of the above accusations, however, continued reticence concerning the position of the neutral at Hamilton is neither possible nor desirable.

Let us, first of all, defend the insertion in the Literary Supplement, of the short story in question. As Mr. Atkins concedes, the story entitled "Fraternity" was at least up to the literary standard set by other contributions. It is well written, it has very definite dramatic qualities, and it presents a situation which undoubtedly exists on the Hill today. From a purely literary standpoint there can be no objections to printing the story. The judgment of the editors in this particular case has been substantiated by many undergraduates and several members of the faculty whose opinions were asked.

Whether or not the fact that the story was printed anonymously is "a sorry reflection upon the courage of author and editor alike" is certainly open to question. If every author who has ever written anonymously or who has ever employed a pseudonym, which amounts to the same thing, is guilty of a lack of courage, then the annals of all literature are filled with the countless names of cowards. The very qualities of Hamilton which Mr. Atkins points out, "its smallness and isolation," justify, in our opinion, the anonymity employed.

That there was any "insinuation" in "Fraternity" we most emphatically deny. The absolute frankness of the author in bringing a tragic situation into bold relief was certainly worthy of approbation. Perhaps there was a disregard for feelings, but there can be no honest criticism of any social condition without some disregard for feelings. The fact that both fraternity men and neutral men admitted that certain portions of the story had impressed them as attacks upon their own group is evidence of the impartial and unbiased stand from which the story was written. The author simply outlined a situation. He placed the blame upon no one and offered no solution to the problem. So much for the story itself.

As to the neutral problem, there can be no question that it exists at Hamilton, just as it exists at every other college where there are fraternities. Even if there were no fraternities, social problems of some kind would be bound to arise unless there occurred a fundamental change in human nature. Man is essentially a gregarious creature and wherever groups are formed some individuals are bound to be left out. The feeling between fraternity and non-fraternity men can be duplicated in any town or city in the country by the reactions between those who are out of society and those who are in society.

Nor is this feeling restricted to fraternity and non-fraternity men. Antipathies between fraternities which are rated highly in social attainments, in wealth, in scholarship, or in extra-curricular honors and fraternities which rate poorly in these respective fields are equally pronounced and bitter. And the disappointment of a neutral who has set his heart on a fraternity and failed to make it is no more bitter than that of a fraternity man who has set his heart on an honorary society and failed to make it.

It is, paradoxically perhaps, the fraternities which make the neutral body. Fraternity selections are the very factors which decide the makeup of the neutral body. The responsibility for the failure of a man to make a fraternity devolves upon the fraternity, not upon the man. The individual undergoes no fundamental change during the week in which he is either pledged or not pledged. He is the same man at the end of the rushing period as he was at the beginning, regardless of whether he has added a pledge pin to his possessions. A nonchalant ability to wear the latest style of clothes, an understanding of the fundamental principles of bridge, or a knowledge of the scores of the important football games for the past five years often decide whether a man shall get a bid. But they have little to do with his character. There is no more excuse for an inferiority complex after failure to receive a bid than there was before. College men are mere mortals and are thoroughly prone to err. Their failure to recognize what they consider desirable traits in a prospect is no indication of either the absence or the desirability of those traits. Furthermore, this principle works both ways. The fact that he has been able to impress a house president with his actual or potential ability and thereby secure a bid increases those actual or potential abilities not the least. He is still the same individual and has no more right than he ever had to lord it over his classmates.

That, we believe, is the essential outline of the neutral-fraternity situation at Hamilton. Its causes are in the main psychological, an inferiority complex on the one hand engendered by a superiority complex on the other. Its cures are likewise psychological, the realization that no fraternity is better than the men who make it up, and that a man is still a man, even if he belongs to no fraternity.

To these basic psychological causes, there should be added several superficial material causes for the dissatisfaction of neutrals. Probably the first is the rooming conditions of North Domitory. Considered on their own merits the rooms in North are not so bad but compared to Carnegie or South or most of the fraternity houses, they are poor. Through continuity of effort the fraternities have been able to gain and hold most of the good dormitory rooms, while almost all neutrals, freshmen in particular, are forced to live in North. This condition should be bettered next year with a freshman dorm plan in effect. The stigma of living in North will be removed when men of all fraternities are living there.

The second cause is the food which is served in Commons, or perhaps the way in which it is served. We refuse to add to the abundance of literary endeavor on this subject, but it does seem that something is wrong somewhere when Commons, serving over a hundred men, is unable to furnish as good board at the same price as a fraternity house serving twenty-five men.

The third and most important of these material causes for unrest is the lack of anything resembling club rooms or parlors for neutrals at Hamilton. Forced to spend practically all of his time in, all too often, unattractive study rooms, the neutral leads a social life which is bound to be warped. The Y. M.C. A. should, and very easily could, fulfill this need.

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## THE FORUM

To the Editor of Hamilton Life:

I am unable to understand the motives which led you to print the anonymous contribution in the recent Literary Supplement of Hamilton Life. Its literary worth as a short story is not to be denied, but unfortunately its appeal rests largely in the treatment of a peculiarly unhappy situation. The writer, by virtue of withholding his name, has had the indiscretion to appeal to prejudice. I have reason to believe that to create such an impression was, by no means, his original intention. But obviously he has made a mistake in submitting his article in anonymous form, and the editors have made the blunder of printing it. For my own part, I prefer to think that the editors, even in their enthusiasm for the purely literary qualities of the piece, were not altogether blind to the fact that the author, on account of the nature of his work, saw fit to submit it anonymously. In spite of a traditional distrust of anonymous writing, there is no fault to be found in matter for publication to be sent in unsigned. But here, the underlying current of thought is such that anonymity is a sorry reflection upon the courage of author and editor alike.

The article is, in a sense, typical of the attitude Hamilton College presumes to affect in dealing with a particularly distressing undergraduate problem. Distressing at Hamilton, because of the very nature of the college itself, its smallness and isolation. How the authorities can disregard the situation is easily understood, but how the principal organ of undergraduate opinion can show such amazing lack of courage and utter lack of good taste is inconceivable. Where there should be good-will, there is ill-will, and where there should be frankness, there is slovenly disregard for feeling. The extraordinary growth of this college has created an inevitable situaiton. Its treatment rests within the hands of those who guide undergraduate opinion.

You have the choice of facing it with becoming courage or pursuing your present policy of complete indifference. You may unwittingly create a feeling that, coupled with the present unlovely living conditions of so many underclassmen, will result in serious ffects and reflect sadly upon the name of our college.

My plea is for fairness, not for more anonymous insinuations. We despair of ever reaching those in authority; the governing influence is yours. I am

Sincerely yours,
RICHARD A. ATKINS, '29.

## GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT COMPILES NEW MANUAL

Geology 1-2 is to be a more scientifically organized subject for Hamilton students hereafter, as a result of a new manual that Professor Dale and Instructor Schafer are now compiling. A part of the manual is already being used by the men in the first year course, and is proving entirely satisfactory.

The purpose of the manual is to present to the student a practical study of minerals, rocks, and structures in a more clear and uniform manner, and with the especial design of fitting into the Hamilton course. The course has grown so that such a step is necessary, Dr. Dale stated. All the work of the student will be aided by the manual, but it will particularly benefit his laboratory study. Many colleges, including Harvard and Princeton, have adopted the manual idea as the best way of presenting the science. The great fault of geology has been its lack of uniformity, which a manual tends in great measure to overcome.

The manual will be mimeographed for next year's students, and after a year or two of trial here it will be printed for publication. Dr. Dale and Mr. Schafer are working in collaboration on the manual itself, and Mr. Schafer is making the drawings to illustrate it.

Of many useless organizations at Hamilton, the Y. M. C. A. is one of the most useless. Saturday night movies, Sunday morning Bible classes, a pool table, a rarely used Publications Room, free room rent for the president, and low room rent for a few others—these are the only claims of the "Y" to service for Hamilton. The building is endowed and the annual campaign should provide enough for running expenses, but still the "Y" is an impotent factor in undergraduate life. A few hundred dollars would attractively furnish the parlors of Silliman Hall and provide a phonograph and tune the piano. Subscriptions to a few periodicals would make the room as inviting as the fraternity parlors and would provide abundant recreational opportunities for the neutrals.

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Good luck and sincere sympathy.

SIR BURRHUS.

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**The Retort Immediate**

The communication of the estimable Sir Burrhus in this issue reeks of the commercial spirit of the age. A filthy dollar for moonstruck wails of celibacy? After all, m'dear de Beerhus! Do you insult your erstwhile contemporaries? Whoops, dearie! BONX.

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**FANCHER ENTERTAINS A SUSPICION**

Despite persistent rumors that the special matinee of the Choir a week ago was secretly arranged by Uncle Paul in honor of a visit of the Keller Sisters and Brother Lynch, such was not the case. The big music critic for whom Heyl trepidated was none other than Roger Wolfe Kahn. For the benefit of those to whom this name is unfamiilar, he is the lad who played at the last Yale prom. BONX.

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**LAMENT**

Oh, Doctor Dale,
Why couldn't you
Have stretched a point
And let me through?

* * *

It has been mistakenly alleged that the title of the Latin play, "The Pot of Gold," will have more than a passing significance to the girls of Hunter College, and also that the lines are to be spoken in Latin because it is a tongue more comprehensible than English to the comely Manhattanite....

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It is bruited about that McMartin, the big Fish(erman) from Johnstown, was greatly enraged to read the subtle insult from the pen of the editors of the first Literary Supplement to the effect that: "If anything, the material included in the future issues should be better than than in the present one." Really, now, gentlemen, IF ANYTHING! BONX

## FENCERS SCORE WIN OVER SYRACUSE MEN

**Britten Stars, Taking Three Foils and Two Epee Bouts**

Showing a decided superiority in the foils and breaking even in the sabers and epees, the Buff and Blue fencers had little difficulty in overcoming the Syracuse representatives by a 10-7 score here Wednesday evening. Captain Britten, who showed to advantage in the Cornell meet, also starred in the Syracuse meet in winning all his bouts, the majority of them by large scores.

In spite of the fact that the Hamilton team was able to score a victory, the meet was a poor test of the ability of the locals as Syracuse had an admittedly weak team, having lost to both Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania by large scores. Altho the Hamilton men showed an improvement over their Cornell performance, it was evident that more practice in competitive meets was needed before the team would be ready for the intercollegiates.

It was in the foils that Hamilton especially excelled. Britten won his three bouts with ease, while Dayton won two out of three. The outstanding match of the entire evening was the foils bout between King of Hamilton and Plank of Syracuse, which lasted over 20 minutes and which King finally won by a 5-4 margin.

In the sabers each of Hamilton's men won one and lost one. The matches were rough and featured by rushing and slapping.

The epee bouts were drawn-out affairs, with the touches fast and close. King had a tough break and lost both of his bouts, while Britten came thru with two wins.

The summary of the meet:

Foils: Plank, S, defeated Dayton, H, 5-4; Britten, H, defeated Solomon, S, 5-0; Wexler, S, defeated Bookhout H, 5-4; Britten, H, defeated Plank S, 5-3; Dayton, H, defeated Wexler, S, 5-0; Solomon, S, defeated Bookhout, H, 5-4; Britten, H, defeated Wexler, S, 5-4; Dayton, H, defeated Solomon, S, 5-3; King, H, defeated Plank, S, 5-4.

Saber: Dutton, S, defeated Dold, H, 5-4; Wexler, S, defeated Redmond, H, 5-3; Dold, H. defeated Wexler, S, 5-3; Redmond, H, defeated Dutton, S, 5-2.

Epee: Plank, S, defeated King, H; Dutton, S, defeated King, H; Britten, H, defeated Plank, S; Britten, H, defeated Dutton S.

## ALUMNI HOLD ANNUAL MEETING IN NEW YORK

On Friday evening, Jan. 21, President Ferry delivered an address to the members of the Hamilton Alumni Association of New York. The meeting was held in the Hotel Commodore with over 200 members present.

The class of 1873 secured the cup for the best attendance. A huge cake was awarded to the team of 1880-85 alumni as a result of the competition in the singing of college songs.

Robert D. Fraser of Utica furnished the members and guests with 15 gallons of water from the college well. The gift was greatly appreciated by the banqueters.

Among the other speakers of the evening were Dr. John H. Finley, associate editor of the New York Times, and Dr. George W. Edwards, '91. Elihu Root was expected to speak but was prevented by illness.

Officers were elected for the next year. They were: President, Daniel Redmond, '01; vice-presidents, Elihu Root, Jr., '03; Samuel H. Adams, '91; John H. Pardee, '89; Brainard Tolles, '86; and Lloyd P. Stryker, '06. C. H. Seaver, '21, was chosen secretary.

## FROSH EASILY BEAT NEW YORK MILLS FIVE

Having little difficulty in repeatedly penetrating the visitors' defense, the freshman basketball team defeated the New York Mills High School quintet on the local court Wednesday afternoon. The "slimers" assumed the lead at the start of the game and held it throughout the remainder of the encounter, finishing with a 46-12 score.

The fast pace which the high school aggregation met caused loss of spirit and broken playing. However, the frosh displayed no exceptional team work, though they showed consistent playing.

Carpenter was high point man of the game, registering five goals from the center of the floor. Lawton and Palmer also showed up well for the yearlings. The local boys substituted an entire second team before the game was over, whereas their opponents made no substitutions. Tracy, high-jumping center, was New York Mills' best man.

The score at the end of the first half was 23-7. Howk refereed the contest.

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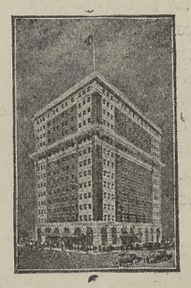

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# FROSH SKATERS BOW TO FAST CLINTON TEAM

**Unbeaten Six from Village Proves Too Much for Yearlings**

Skating and passing with the skill of a college team, the champion Clinton hockey team easily defeated Hamilton's freshman sextet here last Friday night by a score of 5-1.

That the reputation of the village team was well founded soon evinced itself when Williams, Clinton's star wing, slipped through the Frosh defense for a clean goal. The Hill men seemed to anticipate certain defeat by their listless skating and lack of team work; a few wild shots at the High School cage and the freshmen were again on the defensive. With three minutes to play, Williams, exhibiting a wonderful brand of dribbling, sent his second point in.

In the second period Bates accounted for a third Clinton goal, and a few minutes later, with two Hamilton men and one High School man off the ice, Williams made his third tally. The action continued about the Freshman cage with Jenks, goalie, stopping many well-placed shots.

Two minutes after the last period had begun, the Clinton team, displaying passwork that revealed the results of long practice and expert coaching, gained its final point when Williams caged his fourth goal of the game.

Substitutions for Chappell, Prettyman and Williams gave the Freshmen the edge in the final session. Uncorking their first sign of form, Vibberts, Smith, and Jarrett, by some neat passwork, got within range and Jarrett scored the only Frosh tally. The regulars then returned to their former positions and the game returned to Hamilton territory until the final bell.

The Clinton game, although disappointing as a test for the Frosh, unearthed three promising players in Vibberts, Smith, and Ford.

Summary and lineup:

| | |
|---|---|
| Clinton | Freshmen |
| center | |
| Chappell | Smith |
| left wing | |
| Prettyman | Ford |
| right wing | |
| Williams | Chase |
| left defense | |
| Bates | Harmon |
| right defense | |
| Ganey | Vibberts |
| goal | |
| Goering | Jenks |

Referees: Hassard and Beardsley. Substitutions: Clinton: Davies, Colmer, Bryant, Suppe; Freshmen: Jarrett, Savage, Grubb, George, Tryon, O'Hashi.

## FENCERS TRIUMPH IN TRIANGULAR MEET

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5-4.

Bookler P defeated Bookhout H 5-2.

Britten H defeated Beachboard P 5-4.

Bookler P defeated Dayton H 5-1.

Hodes P defeated Bookhout H 5-3.

Bookler P defeated Britten H 5-3.

Dayton H defeated Hodes P 5-1.

Bookhout H defeated Beachboard P 5-2.

Pennsylvania 5, Hamilton 4.

Epees, (all scores 1-0):

Plank S defeated Britten H; King H defeated Dutton S; King H defeated Plank S; Britten H defeated Dutton S. Hamilton 3, Syracuse 1.

Britten H defeated Leslie P; Clark P defeated King H; King H defeated Leslie P; Clark P defeated Britten H. Hamilton 2, Pennsylvania 2.

Sabres: Dutton S defeated Dold H 5-3; Wexler S defeated Merritt H 5-2; Dold H defeated Wexler S 5-1; Redmond H defeated Dutton S 5-3. Hamilton 2, Syracuse 2.

Gaudin P defeated Dold H 5-3; Redmond H defeated Van Meter P 5-2; Dold H defeated Bookler P 5-4; Redmond H defeated Gaudin P 5-4. Hamilton 3, Pennsylvania 1.

**Team Scores**

Hamilton 12, Syracuse 5; Hamilton 9, Pennsylvania 8.

**Point Scores (team total for meet)**

Hamilton 21, Pennsylvania 19, Syracuse 11.

## HAMILTON FIVE LOSES THREE GAMES ON ROAD

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coached in an attack against Hamilton's five man defense for it managed to break through without much difficulty, although the Hill quint put up a strong defensive.

In the middle of the second period the Buff and Blue uncorked its first real offensive of the game, dropping in several baskets in rapid succession, but the time was too short to overtake Buffalo's large lead.

Harrington, forward, and Brizdale, lanky center on the Bison team, were the individual stars of the evening. Their height and weight enabled them to crack the Hamilton defense. In addition they topped the scoring column with 12 points apiece. Rowley was high scorer for Hamilton with nine points.

# BUSY WEEK LIES AHEAD FOR HAMILTON TEAMS

The athletic events scheduled for this week on the Hill should satisfy the appetite of even the most avid devotee of sports.

With the Buff and Blue teams meeting some of the largest universities in the east in three different branches of sport, plenty of action is assured.

Hamilton's basketball team, meeting Alfred on the local court Wednesday evening for the first time, is out to partly avenge the setbacks suffered on the recent western trip. After a layoff of a few days the Buff and Blue five will bring its court season to a close by journeying to Hamilton Friday to meet the strong Colgate quintet. Smarting from one defeat administered by the powerful Maroon aggregation, the Hamilton team hopes to make a creditable showing in the return game.

Hamilton's fencing team will meet Columbia at the Soper gymnasium Saturday afternoon. The Buff and Blue team having defeated Syracuse and emerged a winner in the triangular meet with Pennsylvania and Syracuse, hope to add another to their string of victories. However, Columbia, defeated by the strong Army team by a narrow margin, is sure to provide plenty of opposition.

As a fitting close to a busy week, the Hamilton hockey team will meet the Cornell sextet on the local rink Saturday evening.

—Martin J. Hutchens, '88, editor of the Missoulan, of Missoula, Mont., was one of the 30 editors from various parts of the United States recently chosen to go to Europe next summer to study economic conditions. Mr. Hutchens has been very active in newspaper work. Before becoming editor of the Missoulan in 1917, he was associated with various New York and Chicago newspapers. He is the father of John Hutchens, '26.


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## HAMILTON SIX EASILY BEATS UNION SKATERS

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| right defense | |
| MacLean | Flattern |
| goal | |
| Scovel | Cuyler |

Score by periods:

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hamilton | 1 | 1 | 3 | —5 |
| Union | 1 | 0 | 1 | —2 |

Hamilton scoring: Beardsley, 2, Browne, 2, MacLean. Union: R. Beale, Hyland. Substitutions: Hamilton: R. Browne, Hassard, Schneider, Baker, Heyl, Fuess. Union: Stone, J. Beale, R. Beale.

Referee: Nichols of Army.

—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morris Starr of Ridgefield, Conn., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Caroline Margaret Starr, to Mr. Theodore Carrington Jessup of Ridgefield, Conn. Mr. Jessup was graduated from Hamilton in 1914, and served overseas as captain in the 305th Infantry. He is headmaster of the Ridgefield School, and a member of the University Club.


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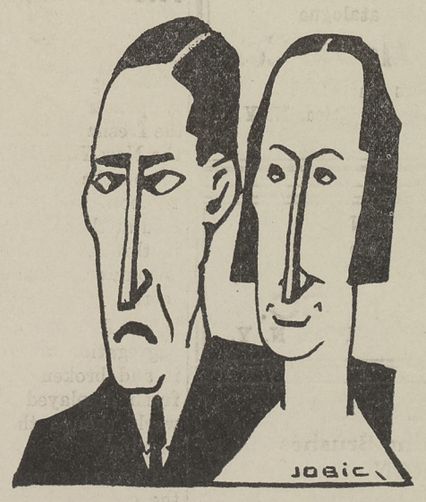

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